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2. not certain of the area included in the term East China (Hua Tung) as used in these tables. The term was in use before the Communist reorganization of the government and hat it refers to what the Communists call East China. In textile discussions, China used to be divided into North China, East China and South China; a fourth area, Central China was also recog- The point is that as to whether or not Hankow installations are included in the East China figures.

3. Table No I:

COTTON TEXTILE INSTALLATIONS IN CHINA AS OF MARCH 1937

Location	No of Mills	No of Spindles	No of Doublers	No of Looms
Chinese Owned		(a) Installed (b) Being installed		
Shanghai	31	(a) 1,114,408	122,666	8,754
		(b) 170,336	8,240	445
Kiangsu	23	(a) 615,548	20,660	7,288
		(b) 86,024	9,200	1,890

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Table No I (cont'd):

Location	No of Mills	No of Spindles	No of Doublers	No of Looms
Chinese Owned		(a) Installed (b) Being installed		
Hopei	7	(a) 174,896 (b) 27,756	6,200 -	1,490 -
Hupeh	7	(a) 314,472 (b) 4,440	1,600 -	3,259 -
Others	28	(a) 527,068 (b) 151,720	23,790 16,304	4,712 2,440
Total	96	(a) 2,746,392 (b) 440,276	174,916 33,744	25,503 5,453
Foreign Owned				
British	4	(a) 221,336 (b) 1,760	8,670 -	4,021 112
Japanese	48	(a) 2,135,068 (b) 70,184	350,284 -	28,915 500
Total	52	(a) 2,356,404 (b) 71,944	358,954 -	32,936 612
Grand Total	148	(a) 5,102,796 (b) 512,220	533,870 33,744	58,439 6,065

4. Table No II:

COTTON TEXTILE INSTALLATIONS IN EAST CHINA
AS OF 1950

Ownership	Spinning Mills		Weaving Mills	
	No	No of Spindles	No	No of Looms
Chi: Govt	30	1,360,944	26	26,758
Chi: Private	147	2,316,990	42	17,616
British	2	42,260	1	964
Total	179	3,720,194	67	45,338

5. Table No III:

INSTALLED SPINDLES ALL CHINA
AS OF 1949-50

No of Mills	Spindles Installed	Spindles Operable	In Actual Operation
249	5,173,522	4,988,726	4,081,193

(Note: During 1951-52 the number of spindles increased by approximately 200,000.)

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6. Table No IV:

CHINA - ANNUAL PRODUCTION AND MILL CONSUMPTION OF RAW COTTON
1935-37 and 1946-49

(Figures in piculs of 110 lbs)

Year	Production	Mill Consumption
1935	9,527,206	8,844,000
1936	16,974,629	9,183,000
1937	12,713,593	8,360,786
1946	7,430,000	5,935,000
1947	11,023,217	11,599,207
1948	10,119,626	9,080,999
1949	9,074,500	Not known

(Note: Chinese Communist government claims a 1953 production of 29,000,000 piculs, but in fact total annual production 1949-53 has never exceeded 14,000,000 piculs.)

7. Table No V:

COTTON YARN PRODUCTION IN CHINA
1931, 1936, 1937 and 1946-48

(Figures in Bales of 420 lbs)

1931	2,380,671	1946	1,320,000
1936	2,025,489	1947	1,945,655
1937	2,039,216	1948	1,846,980

8. Table No VI:

COTTON CLOTH PRODUCTION FROM POWER LOOMS
1936-37, 1946-49

(Figures in Pieces of 40 yds)

Year	No of Looms	No of Pieces
1936	58,000	25,889,000
1937	58,439	30,479,000
1946	65,000	13,430,000
1947	65,000	22,400,000
1948	69,000	22,440,184
1949	68,155	Not known

9. Table No VII:

CHINA - WOOLEN AND WORSTED MILLS

Ownership	No	Worsted Spindles	Woolen Rings	Woolen Mules	Woolen Cord	Total	Looms Large	Looms Other	Looms Total
Chi: Govt	18	31,580	3,280	28,964	1,500	65,324	227	461	688
Private	85	42,180	7,082	16,734	17,312	83,308	635	776	1,411
Total	103	73,760	10,362	45,698	18,812	148,632	862	1,237	2,099

(Note: There has been virtually no change in woolen textile installations in China since 1940. The above figures carry no specific date.)

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